

**Meeting Hour—July 26:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, July 26 for morning-hour debates.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, July 28.

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**Senate Messages:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H6203.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea and nay vote and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H6246–47, H6248–49, H6249, and H6294–95. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 11:00 a.m. and adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### CONSERVATION RESERVE PROGRAM— USDA'S ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, Resource Conservation, and Credit held a hearing to review the USDA's administration of the Conservation Reserve Program. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Thomas Grau, Deputy Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; and Glenda Humiston, Deputy Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment; Ronald Harnack, Executive Director, Board of Water and Soil Resources, State of Minnesota; and public witnesses.

### COMMERCE, JUSTICE, STATE, AND JUDICIARY APPROPRIATIONS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary approved for the full Committee action the Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

### CONDUCT OF MONETARY POLICY

*Committee on Banking and Financial Services:* Held a hearing on Conduct of Monetary Policy. Testimony was heard from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy and Power held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 667, The Power Bill; H.R. 971, Electric Power Consumer Rate Relief Act of 1999; H.R. 1138, Ratepayer Protection Act; H.R. 1486, Power Marketing Administration Reform Act of 1999; H.R. 1587, Electric Energy Empowerment Act of 1999; H.R. 1828, Comprehensive Electricity Competition Act; H.R. 2050, Electric Consumers' Power To Choose Act of 1999; and H.R. 2363, Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1999. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### DOMAIN NAME SYSTEM PRIVATIZATION

*Committee on Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Domain Name System Privatization: Is ICANN Out of Control? Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Commerce: Becky Burr, Acting Associate Administrator, Office of International Affairs, National Telecommunications Information Agency; and Andrew J. Pincus, General Counsel; and public witnesses.

### HELPING DELINQUENT CHILDREN SUCCEED IN SCHOOL

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Held a hearing on Helping Migrant, Neglected, and Delinquent Children Succeed in School. Testimony was heard from Francisco Garcia, Director, Office of Migrant Education, Department of Education; and public witnesses.

### GLOBAL HIV/AIDS EPIDEMIC—U.S. ROLE IN COMBATING

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources held a hearing on "What is the United States' Role in Combating the Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic?" Testimony was heard from Representatives Berry and Jackson of Illinois; Sandra Thurman, Director, Office of National AIDS Policy; Joseph Papovich, Assistant U.S. Trade Representative, Services, Investment and Intellectual Property; the following officials of the Department of Health and Human Services: John Killen, M.D., Director, Division of AIDS, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, NIH; and Timothy Dondero, M.D., Chief, International Activities Branch, Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and public witnesses.

### CAMPAIGN REFORM

*Committee on House Administration:* Continued hearings on Campaign Reform. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### SILK ROAD STRATEGY ACT

*Committee on International Relations:* Favorably considered the following measure and adopted a motion urging the Chairman to request that it be considered on the Suspension Calendar: H.R. 1152, amended, Silk Road Strategy Act of 1999.

### U.S.-LIBYA RELATIONS

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing on U.S.-Libya Relations: A New Era? Testimony was heard from Ambassador Ronald E. Neumann, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

### U.S. TRADE DEFICIT

*Committee on International Relations:* Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade held a

hearing on the U.S. Trade Deficit: Are We Trading Away Our Future? Testimony was heard from Pat Mulloy, Assistant Secretary, Market Access and Compliance, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property held an oversight hearing on the final report of the Commission on Structural Alternatives for the Federal Courts of Appeals. Testimony was heard from Senators Kyl, Feinstein and Murkowski; Representative Campbell; Proctor Hug, Jr., Chief Judge, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; Charles E. Wiggins, Senior Circuit Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; Pamela Ann Rymer, Circuit Judge, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; Diarmuid O'Scannlain, Circuit Judge, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; William D. Browning, District Judge, District of Arizona; David R. Thompson, Circuit Judge, Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals; Eleanor Acheson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Policy Development, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT—OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime held an oversight hearing on the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. Testimony was heard from Laurie Robinson, Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice; Michael J. Anderegg, Judge, Marquette County Circuit Court, State of Michigan; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT—COUNTERFEITING AND MISUSE OF SOCIAL SECURITY CARD

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing on counterfeiting and misuse of the social security card and state and local identity documents. Testimony was heard from Larry F. Stewart, Chief Document Examiner, Forensic Services Division, U.S. Secret Service, Department of the Treasury; John Hotchner, Director, Office of Passport Policy, Planning and Advisory Services, Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State; James Hesse, Chief Intelligence Officer, Forensic Document Laboratory, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; Richard Stana, Associate Director, Administration of Justice Issues, General Government Division, GAO; Glenna Donnelly, Assistant Deputy Commissioner, Office of Disability and Income, SSA; and public witnesses.

#### OVERSIGHT

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation and Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the implementation of the 1996 amendments to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Testimony was

heard from Penelope Dalton, Assistant Administrator, Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and a public witness.

#### OVERSIGHT—FOREST MANAGEMENT—WILDLIFE HABITAT

*Committee on Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health held an oversight hearing on Forest Management for Wildlife Habitat. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Forest Service, USDA: Mike Dombeck, Chief; and Robert Lewis, Deputy Chief, Research; and public witnesses.

#### DOE FACILITIES—EXTERNAL REGULATION

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on External Regulation of DOE Facilities: Pilot Project Results. Testimony was heard from David M. Michaels, Assistant Secretary, Environment, Safety and Health, Department of Energy; Jerold Mande, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Labor; Greta Joy Dicus, Chairman, NRC; and Victor S. Rezendes, Director, Energy, Natural Resources, and Science Issues, GAO.

#### OSHA'S DRAFT SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAMS RULE

*Committee on Small Business:* Held a hearing on the OSHA's Draft Safety and Health Program Rule. Testimony was heard from Charles N. Jeffress, Assistant Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Labor; and public witnesses.

#### AVIATION OPERATIONS—CHANGING WEATHER CONDITIONS

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Aviation held a hearing on Aviation Operations During Severe or Rapidly Changing Weather Conditions. Testimony was heard from Representative Traficant; Jim Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; Steve Brown, Associate Administrator, Air Traffic Services, FAA, Department of Transportation; John E. Jones, Jr., Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Weather Service, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

#### VETERANS MATTERS

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing to evaluate the Department of Veterans Affairs progress in developing their capital assets realignment plan for enhancing services to veterans. Testimony was heard from Stephen P. Backhus, Director, Veterans' Affairs and Military Health Care Issues, GAO; and the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: D. Mark Catlett, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget; and Kenneth Clark, Chief Network Officer, Veterans Health Administration.

## IRS STRUCTURING AND REFORM ACT IMPLEMENTATION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing on implementation of the Internal Revenue Service Restructuring and Reform Act of 1998 (Public Law 105-206). Testimony was heard from Charles O. Rossotti, Commissioner, IRS, Department of the Treasury; James R. White, Director, Tax Policy and Administration Issues, General Government Division, GAO; and a public witness.

## CHINESE EMBASSY BOMBING

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Held a hearing on Chinese Embassy Bombing. Testimony was heard from George J. Tenet, Director, CIA; and John J. Hamre, Deputy Secretary, Department of Defense.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D 738)

H.R. 775, to establish certain procedures for civil actions brought for damages relating to the failure of any device or system to process or otherwise deal with the transition from the year 1999 to the year 2000. Signed July 20, 1999. (P.L. 106-37)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JULY 23, 1999

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

No Committee meetings are scheduled.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 26 through July 31, 1999

### Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider S. Res. 160, to restore enforcement of Rule 16, with a vote on final adoption thereon. Also, Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1501, Juvenile Justice, with a vote on a motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed, to occur at 5:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to begin consideration of the Reconciliation legislation and any other cleared legislative and executive business, including appropriation bills, when available.

(On *Tuesday*, Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., for their respective party conferences.)

### Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* July 27, to hold hearings on agricultural concentration and anti-trust issues, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* July 28, to hold oversight hearings on the Monetary Policy Report to Congress pursuant to the Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act of 1978, 10 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 27, Subcommittee on Communications, to hold hearings on privacy issues on the internet, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

July 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine telecommunication mergers and consolidation, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

July 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine fraud against seniors, 2:15 p.m., SR-253.

July 29, Subcommittee on Oceans and Fisheries, to hold hearings on authorizing funds for programs of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 9:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* July 27, Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 930, to provide for the sale of certain public land in the Ivanpah Valley, Nevada, to the Clark County, Nevada, Department of Aviation; S. 719, to provide for the orderly disposal of certain Federal land in the State of Nevada and for the acquisition of environmentally sensitive land in the State; S. 1030, to provide that the conveyance by the Bureau of Land Management of the surface estate to certain land in the State of Wyoming in exchange for certain private land will not result in the removal of the land from operation of the mining laws; S. 1288, to provide incentives for collaborative forest restoration projects on National Forest System and other public lands in New Mexico; S. 1374, to authorize the development and maintenance of a multiagency campus project in the town of Jackson, Wyoming; and S. 439, to amend the National Forest and Public Lands of Nevada Enhancement Act of 1988 to adjust the boundary of the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

July 28, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

July 28, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings on S. 624, to authorize construction of the Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System in the State of Montana; S. 1211, to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to authorize additional measures to carry out the control of salinity upstream of Imperial Dam in a cost-effective manner; S. 1275, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to produce and sell products and to sell publications relating to the Hoover Dam, and to deposit revenues generated from the sales into the Colorado River Dam fund; S. 1236, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for commencement of the construction of the Arrowrock Dam Hydroelectric Project in the State of Idaho; S. 1377, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act regarding the use of funds for water development for the Bonneville Unit; and S. 986, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Griffith Project to the Southern Nevada Water Authority, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

July 29, Subcommittee on National Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, to hold hearings on S. 710, to authorize the feasibility study on the preservation of certain Civil War battlefields along the Vicksburg Campaign Trail; S. 905, to establish the Lackawanna Valley American Heritage Area; S. 1093, to establish the Galisteo Basin Archaeological Protection Sites, to provide for the protection of archaeological sites in the Galisteo